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Editor Virginia Law Register:

It will be remembered that the late Judge William Daniel (the father of our present Senator) was removed by military order from the bench of the Supreme Court of Appeals of this State, just after the war, when it was District No. 1.

Not very long afterwards the election for members of the Underwood Convention took place. The vote in Lynchburg, Judge Daniel's home, was not taken at the usual ward precincts, but the voters' names were arranged alphabetically, and all with certain initial letters were to vote at one place; thus A, B, C, D, E and F voted at one polling place, G, H, I, J, K and L at another, and so on to the last letters in the alphabet.

It will be remembered, also, that at that election all who had held office theretofore were prohibited from voting. I was standing at a bulletin board examining the list, which had just been put up, that I might learn where to vote, when Judge Daniel came to my side and was examining the list with some interest. I said to him, jocularly, "Judge, I do not see your name on this list. How is that?"

"Because you do not look in the right place," he replied.

"Yes," I said; "I looked amongst the D's and it is not there."

"No," he responded, quickly, "it is not amongst the D's; it is among the X, Y, Z's" (ex-wise-heads).

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BOOK REVIEWS.

LAW REPORTS ANNOTATED. Vol. 46. Advance sheets. Lawyers' Co-Operative Publishing Company, Rochester, N. Y. 1900.

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